

February 12, 2009

The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Fuelling and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Beloat; Supt. Givens; Comm. Maynard; Pam Robinson – Posey County News; and Sara Manifold – Mount Vernon Democrat.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Higgins moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Fuelling moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated al those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

*****CLAIMS*****

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Chief Beloat stated, in reference to the ongoing vehicle issue, he feels at this point, it may be easier if the Board would just approve his moving forward with the search, based on a fixed not to exceed dollar amount. He added if the Board will recall, he had a vehicle picked out, but it was sold underneath him, and he is wanting to avoid that situation from happening again.

Board member Higgins asked if he had a ballpark figure in mind ?

Chief Beloat replied he feels safe in saying under \$17,000.00, and actually, he is sure it can be less than that.

Board member Higgins moved Chief Beloat be given permission to proceed with a vehicle search, with the purchase price not to exceed \$17,000.00. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

Board member Fuelling asked if Chief Beloat is also going to proceed with the trade in of a vehicle as well, as a first option ?

Chief Beloat replied the \$17,000.00 price would not include trade in, he is looking to make an outright purchase, with the initial purchase price not to exceed \$17,000.00.

Mayor Tucker then stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Beloat continued his report by stating he has heard many positive comments about the Comm. Maynard and his department, from the police department – especially midnight shift. He added his crew

has done an excellent job during the ice storm and recent wind storm, and his department really appreciated it.

Comm. Maynard thanked Chief Beloit for his comments and stated he would let the department.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated Chief Waters is in Indianapolis for a medical procedure.

Supt. Givens stated regarding the digesters they discussed at Monday evening's Council meeting, he is pretty sure the work will come in under \$25,000.00, and as they may recall, he was wanting a guarantee in writing and he did get that today. He added he really needs to get going on these diffusers

Board member Fuelling stated reading the paperwork Supt. Givens just handed him, he doesn't see a guarantee, per se – then again, in the first line it states “.....they have assured me that the LP diffuser will work great in this application....”.

Supt. Givens agreed that he was assured they would work. Again, he reminded the Board that his department would actually be installing the diffusers once they arrived. He then stated the information he received is from B L Anderson and the brand of diffuser is Sanitaire LP.

Board member Fuelling moved Supt. Givens be authorized to proceed with the diffuser order, and the city installing them once they arrive. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

Board member Higgins again how many digesters there are ?

Supt. Givens replied two, with no back up.

Mayor Tucker then stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Givens continued his report by stating a wall in the building that houses the sludge press is being eaten away, as there is no barrier between it and the press. He added he has a quote for the concrete work, to install a barrier wall, 3' x 8" thick, from Superior Concrete. He added the cost is \$5,600.00, for the wall only, although the wall itself will need to also be repaired.

Board member Fuelling asked if someone else is going to make the repair to the building?

Supt. Givens replied yes and added approximately 24-36" high will need to be cut out and replaced. He stated he will get a quote from a subcontractor to make that repair.

Board member Higgins wondered if concrete blocks would work ?

Supt. Givens replied he is not sure, that could be more expensive and the backhoe could potentially knock those over.

Board member Fuelling moved Supt. Givens be given permission to proceed with the barrier wall, as quoted by Superior Concrete. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker then asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Comm. Maynard stated he would like permission to attend Purdue Road School March 10-12, 2009 at Purdue. He added he will be leaving on the 9th and would like to use the city credit card and city vehicle.

Board member Higgins moved permission be given. Seconded by Board member Fuelling.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Comm. Maynard then reported the salt barn is complete in their new location and the remaining salt that is on hold for them will be brought in soon. He added there are 10 ton left, which isn't much, so they may need to pick it up themselves. He concluded his report by stating as for limb pick up, they are going street by street and they will get to all of them eventually. He stated they are trying to pick them up in an orderly fashion and he would estimate it taking a month or more to get them all. He added they can also not use the street sweeper right now either, as the debris left in the streets will damage it.

Board member Higgins stated at the Council meeting Monday night, everyone had many positive comments for the Street Department.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Mayor Tucker stated on the Legal portion of the Agenda is bids received for the Sawmill Elimination Project. He added, as advertised by Bernardin Lochmueller, bids that were received were opened and read aloud by BLA at 2:00 p.m. today. He added Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe will now read the bids as they were previously presented at 2:00 p.m.

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe read the following bids:

1. BMB	\$1,730,830.78
2. PPMI	\$1,499,950.00
3. ISI	\$1,392,640.00
4. Deig Brothers	\$2,618,215.00
5. Blankenberger Brothers, Inc.	\$1,755,000.00

Board member Fuelling moved the Board acknowledge receipt of the bids, and they then be forwarded to Attorney Higgins for legal review. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any discussion.

There was none.

Mayor Tucker then stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated the next Legal item is quotes requested by Bldg. Comm. Willis on the removal of the house located at 619 E. Water Street.

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe opened and read the following:

Keith Kuhn & Sons

Bid for removing house on 619 E. Water Str.

We bid \$6500. This includes:

Tearing down house and removing. Hauling concrete off, leveling, and dressing up around the area.

Keith Kuhn & Sons
Owner: Keith Kuhn

McGennis Excavating LLC

The following is a bid for the job located at 619 Water St. The bid below includes the cost of demolition of the house, includes the removal of all debris and filling in basement. The lot will then be leveled with dirt and ready for future use. Our bid is \$5,900.00

Wes McGennis

Gary McGennis

Board member Fuelling moved the Board acknowledge receipt of the quotes and they move forward with the lowest quote, if necessary. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

Board member Higgins asked if both quotes stipulated removal of the debris ?

Clerk-Treasurer Wolfe replied yes.

Mayor Tucker then stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if anyone in the Audience wished to address the Board ?

There was no response.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any New Business ?

There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated if there were no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Fuelling moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Wolfe
Clerk-Treasurer